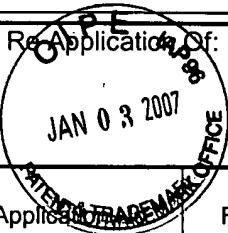


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**COMBINED AMENDMENT AND
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**
(Large Entity)

Docket No.
H0004175

In Re Application of: D. Merkel, et al.



Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
10/620,018	07/15/2003	N. Nguyen	000128	1754	8618

Invention: Methods for Purifying Hydrogen Fluoride

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of September 8, 2006 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

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From: December 8, 2006 *Date* Until: January 8, 2007 *Date*

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	16 —	20 =	0	X \$ 50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 —	3 =	0	X \$200.00	\$0.00
				FEE FOR AMENDMENT	\$0.00
				FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME	\$120.00
				TOTAL FEE FOR EXTENSION FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME	\$120.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of _____ for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 19-5425**.

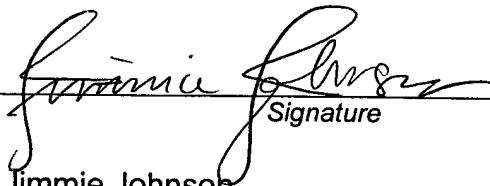
Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If any additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional which may be required to Deposit Account No. _____.

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